

**HEALTH OCCUPATIONS  
TITLE 19. SOCIAL WORKERS**

*SUBTITLE 4. PROHIBITED ACTS; PENALTIES*

**§ 19-401. Practicing without license**

(a) Social work. -- Except as otherwise provided in this title, a person may not practice, attempt to practice, or offer to practice social work in this State while representing oneself to be a social worker unless licensed by the Board.

(b) Clinical social work. -- Except as otherwise provided in this title, a person may not practice, attempt to practice, or offer to practice clinical social work in this State unless licensed by the Board as a certified social worker-clinical.

**§ 19-402. Misrepresentation**

Unless authorized to practice social work under this title, a person may not:

(1) Represent to the public that the person is a licensed social worker; or

(2) Use any title, abbreviation, sign, card, or other representation that the person is a licensed social worker, including the use of the words "social worker" or "social work" and the use of the abbreviations "LBSW", "LGSW", "LCSW", or "LCSW-C".

**§ 19-403. Using license of another individual; impersonating licensed social worker**

A person may not intentionally:

(1) Use or attempt to use the license of another person who is a licensed social worker; or

(2) Impersonate another person who is a licensed social worker.

**§ 19-404. Giving false information to Board**

In an attempt to obtain a license, a person may not intentionally give false information to the Board.

**§§ 19-405, 19-406.**

Reserved.

**§ 19-407. Penalties**

A person who violates any provision of this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$ 5,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 2 years.